

REMARKS

In the Official Action dated August 1, 2005, the Examiner rejected the claims based on 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 in view of published patent application U.S. 2001/0044694 ("Utika.") The Utika publication fails to disclose an operating means for setting a scroll direction by a user. Paragraphs 0005, 0053, 0062, and 0077, cited by the Examiner, do not disclose any means for scrolling in a direction chosen by a user. Instead, these paragraph simply discuss scrolling along a desired route.

Applicant has amended claims 1 and 10 to clarify that the user determines the scroll direction, rather than the scroll direction being determined due to route guidance.

SUMMARY

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

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